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Identical letters dated 6 September 2013 from the Permanent Representative of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council

On instructions from my Government, I wish to inform you of an incident that occurred on 25 August 2013 at around 1500 hours on the outskirts of Habbariyah town, in the locality of Rus in Saddanah, within Lebanese territory. While a civilian, Khudr Muhammad Nab'ah, was grazing his flock near point OP4, an Israeli enemy patrol attempted to abduct him. When he fled towards the town, the enemy patrol took 350 head of goats that belonged to him. At 2100 hours, the goats were returned to Lebanese territory.

My Government considers this action to be a blatant violation of my country's sovereignty, and it must be condemned on the basis of the principles and provisions of international law and international norms.

I should be grateful if you would circulate the present letter as an official document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 36, and of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) Nawaf **Salam**
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